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	6	umulative	volume of	trading	00 00	Monthe	no	l open co	n	tracts
Month	<b>1958-59</b>		00	:	3 3		2		8	
	: 1947-48 : Average	,	: : 1949=50	: 1950-51	38	1948-49	90 30	1949=50	:	1950~5
	: 1.00	200	100	100	8 3	200	-	100	-	100
	: bales	bales	bales	hales	::	bales		bales		bales
August	26,118	36,661	20,201	56,518	::	16,275		15,458		26,179
September	: 64,468	67,632	46,892	120,627	::	16,590		16,374		30,161
October	:205,749	100,221	81,092		2 2	17,421		18,024		
November	:142,082	138,753	107,741		::	17,712		18,325		
December	:171,511	173,799	138,712		22	18,883		19,076		
January	<b>205</b> ,563	205,589	171,243		::	19,116		19,181		
February	:236,407	<b>25</b> 9,25 <b>0</b>	209,289		::	18,843		18,970		
March	:267,736	284,663	244,163		8 2	19,121		19,706		
April	:300,682	327,881	276,435		::	17,165		18,902		
Me.y	:329,551	<b>35</b> 6, 63 <b>7</b>	308,129		::	16,731		19,033		
June	:359,862	386,715	350,887		20 23	14,995		19,270		
July	:390,341	408,707	403,095	•	3 8	13,586		20,396		

Table 2. - Cotton: Volume of trading, New York Cotton Exchange September 1950

	All Futures		Fut	ure	
Date	:	: 2950 :	1950	1951	: 1951
	ŧ	: Oct. :	Dec.	Mar	: May 100
	: 100	100	100	100	
September	bales	bales	bales	bales	bales
	:				
1	: 2,027	112	826	337	360
Holiday -	:				
Sunday	:				
Holiday	1 -				
5	2,839	243	1,021	509	578
	3,783	250	1,312	882	522
	3,977	151	1,586	928	590
	: 5,189	239	1,998	996	901
	1,441	79	444	346	223
Sunday	•				
11	2,448	137	765	497	468
	2,347	86	821	595	407
	2,873	58	1,068	592	421
	3,043	84	1,166	900	500
3.0	2,985	135	1,155	638	426
A -	1,175.	57	417	261	218
0 1	•				
	3,051	121	1,057	676	495
3.0	2,031	117	683	440	275
0.0	2,643	106	915	583	345
0.3	2,489	114	1,007	605	233
0.0	2,775	270	899	437	411
	1,141	38	545	243	182
0.5	1,778	169	<b>53</b> 9	511	283
	2,491	236	883	730	372
0.00	3,195	113	1,356	721	435
0.0	3,880	195	1,425	783	699
29	2.385	96	846	471	400
7.0	2,123	118	936	516	269
	:				
	1				
	64,109	3,324	23,670	14,197	10,013
_	:	-,	,	,	, , , , ,
	56,518	8,623	21,399	10,281	7,212
0 1 110	26,691	5,434	9,405	4,012	3,483
		-,	,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,

Table 2. - Cotton: Volume of trading, New York Cotton Exchange September 1950 -- Continued

							Future			
Dat	e ;	1951	: 195		1951	:	1952	2	Other	
		July	: Oct	. 2	Dec.	2	Mar.	2	Futures	
195		100	10		100		100		100	
Septem	ber :	bales	bal	8	bales		bales		bales	
1		242	1	23	47				0	
Holida										
Sunday										
Holida	•	0.08	•	20	0.5				•	
5		297		85	63				0	
6 7		571		95	51				0	
8		404		15	103				0	
9		620		03	132				0	
Sunday		196		79	74				0	
11		264	9,	) E	2.20				^	
12				05 11	112				0	
13		283		16	44				0	
13		427			91				0	
15		453		63	47				0	
16		2.43		57 52	23		_		0	
				04	24		5		0	
Sunday		450	1	24	50					
18		458		34	59		1		0	
19		300		30	81		5		0	
20		374		78	142		0		0	
21		194		95	136		5		0	
22 23		330		03	93		32		0	
			,	35	26		0		0	
Sunday				. ^	70		-		0	
25 26				10 33	32		5		0	
27					34		0		0	
28				50	120		10		0	
29				76	168		0		0	
		307		76	89		0		0	
30		203		52	29		0		: 0	
Total									2.24	
Sept.	150		2 6	<b>3</b> 0	1 920		63		0	
oept.		•	3,6	50	1,820	6	00		U	
A 33 C	150		2,4	20	NOA				0	
Aug. Sept.	149		1,5		884		107		0	
Sepo.	<b>T</b> O :	2,043	1,0	פו	632		103		U	

Table 3. - Cotton: Open contracts reported by clearing members,

New York Cotton Exchange,

September 1950

<del></del>	:		Future		
. 5	: All	/2			
Date	• Futures	<u>/1</u> : 1950 :	1950	1951	<b>1951</b>
47.53	100	: Oct,/1:	Dec. :	Mar. 100	May
1950	100	100	100		100
September	bales	bales	bales	bales	bales
1	26,399	2,641	8,223	4,984	5,313
Holiday	•	2,041	0,223	4,504	0,010
Sunday	2				
Holiday					
5	26,732	2,593	8,243	5,063	5,403
6	26,732	2,468	8,233	5,150	5,459
7	27,334	2,418	8,404	5,383	5,545
8	27,437	2,366	8,379	5,539	5,555
9	27,450	2,307	8,410	5,524	5,587
Sunday	. 21,200	2,001	0,210	0,002	0,001
11	27,577	2,269	8,464	5,625	5,588
12	27,720	2,222	8,448	5,747	5,601
13	27,892	2,208	8,449	5,786	5,610
14	28,403	2,178	8,593	5,973	5,736
15	28,636	2,159	8,716	6,062	5,719
16	28,662	2,145	8,681	6,072	5,777
Sunday	:	,	,	•	,
18	28,808	2,107	8,533	6,173	5,886
19	28,932	2,096	8,466	6,276	5,917
20	29,095	2,071	8,392	6,352	5,938
21	29,333	2,015	8,421	6,448	5,957
22	29,568	1,917	8,610	6,538	6,029
23	29,766	1,906	8,751	6,570	6,049
Sunday	:				
25	29,963	1,865	8,768	6,665	6,119
26	29,938	1,481	8,862	6,801	6,167
27	29,998	1,353	8,880	6,815	6,219
28	: 30,196	1,165	8,965	6,759	6,409
29	: 30,238	1,071	8,936	6,750	6,460
30	30,161	977	8,729	6,827	6,515
	2				

<sup>/</sup>l Open contracts against which notices of delivery have been issued are not included.

Table 3. - Cotton: Open contracts reported by clearing members,

New York Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

	:						Futu	re			
Date	:	1951 July	:	1951 Oct.	:	1951 Dec.	\$ ±	1952 Mar.	:	Other Futures	
1950	:	100		100		100		100		100	
September	:	bales		bales		bales		bales		bales	
	•	-									
1	2	3,337		1,338		563				0	
Holiday	3			.,						Ŭ	
Sunday	:										
Holiday	2										
5	2	3,457		1,372		601				0	
6	:	3,511		1,406		602				0	
7	:	3,558		1,418		598				0	
8	:	3,536		1,416		646				Ö	
9	:	3,542		1,430		650				Ö	
Sunday	2									· ·	
11		3,572		1,398		661				0	
12	:	3,621		1,417		664				0	
13	:	3,689		1,437		713				, 0	
14	•	3,734		1,459		730				0	
15	2	3,767		1,484		729				0	
16	2	8,770		1,483		729		5		0	
Sunday	2										
18	:	3,889		1,480		735		5		0	
19	:	3,938		1,497		732		10		0	
20	:	4,027		1,514		791		10		0	
21	:	4,068		1,552		830		12		0	
22 23	:	4,031		1,556		869		18		0	
Sunday		4,020		1,562		890		18		0	
25		A 045		1 550		000					
26	:	4,047		1,578		898		23		_ 0	
27	:	4,103		1,595		906		23		0	
28	:	4,148 4,248		1,597		953		33		0	
29	•	4,333		1,600 1,627		1,017		33		0	
-30		4,410		1,632		1,028		33		0	
	:	1,110		1,002	-	1,038		33		0	
	•							·			

Table 4. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,

New York Cotton Exchange,

September 1950

 Date	- :	195	0 October	Future	::			1950 De	cem	ber Future
	:	High	Low	Closing	::	High	1	Low		Closing
1950	3				2.3,					
September		cents	cents	cents	::	cents		cents		cents
	\$	70 54	#A ##		::					
1	:	39.54	39.33	39.53	: :	39.55		39.34		39.52-55
Holiday	•				2.1					
Sunday Holiday	:				::					
5	:	40.03	39.78	39.98	1:	40.10		39.76		40.05.00
6		40.57	40.18	40.28-3	* *	40.62				40.05-08
7	:	40.68	40.33	40.20-6		40.75		40.25		40.28-33 40.65-75
8	2	41.35	40.65	40.77	::	41.45		40.70		40.85-86
9	:	40.99	40.59	40.96-9		41.05		40.63		41.05
Sunday	:	1000	1000	10.50	11	77.00		±0.00		41.00
11		41.38	40.83	40.90-9		41.41		40.90		40.95-97
12		40.85	40.46	40.48	22	40.87		40.52		40.60-61
13		40.48	40.11	40.42	::	40.54		40.11		40.50-54
14		40.90	40.45	40.89	2.2	40.90		40.45		40.87-90
15	:	41.20	40.73	41.17	22	41.15	_	40.74		41.12-15
16	:	41.20	41.10	41.14	::	41.21		41.05		41.11
Sunday	:				::					
18	:	41.12	40.48	40.95	::	40.99		40.45		40.65-76
19	:	40.88	40.70	40.85	::	40.77		40.58		40.64-67
20	:	40.98	40.68	40.93	::	40.80		40.50		40.79
21	:	41.30	40.98	40.98	::	41.15		40.80		40.87-89
22		41.22	40.97	41.05-0	7::	41.03		40.83		40.97-41.00
23	:	41.15	40.91	41.15	::	41.13		40.86		41.02-05
Sunday	ŧ				::					
25		41.06	40.90	40.96	::	41.02		40.85		40.85-88
26	•	41.04	40.67	40.86	::	40.87		40.60		40.66-70
27		41.05	40.65	40.85	::	40.79		40.30		40.47-49
28		40.89	40.60	40.76	::	40.50		40.03		40.38-39
29	:	40.76	40.55	40.65	::	40.44		40.11		40.11-13
30	:	40.55	40.30	40.30	2.2	40.06		39.80		39.80-83
	2				2.1					

Table 4. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,

New York Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

Date		1951 March	Future	::	1951 May Future							
	High	: Low :	Closing	-::	High	: Low	: Closing					
1950				::								
September	cents	cents	cents	::	cents	cents	cents					
1	39.68	39.44	39.68	11	39.61	39.40	39.52-					
Holiday :				::								
Sunday :				11								
Holiday :				::								
5	40.25	39.92	40.25	::	40.12	39.85	40.09					
	40.83	40.40	40.46	::	40.63	40.25	40.33					
7	40.79	40.45	40.68-70	::	40.65	40.27	40.50					
	41.50	40.84	40.85	; :	41.45	40.51	40.51					
9	41.04	40.65	41.04	::	40.83	40.41	40.80-					
Sunday				::								
	41.45	40.91	40.95-97	::	41.14	40.66	40.67-					
12	40.87	40.50	40.55-58	::	40.53	40.21	40.26-2					
13 :		40.09	40.50	::	40.23	39.83	40.23					
14		40.51	40.93-98	::	40.74	40.22	40.50-					
. 15		40.78	41.18	::	40.89	40.48	40.88-					
16 .	41.24	41.07	41.08	::	40.99	40.83	40.83					
Sunday				::								
18	40.99	40.45	40.50-67	::	40.72	40.18	40.24					
19		40.50	40.61	::	40.47	40.20	40.26-2					
	40.74	40.46	40.72-74	::	40.42	40.16	40.36-3					
	41.09	40.74	40.87	::	40.78	40.43	40.57					
22	41.04	40.84	40.98	::	40.79	40.60	40.67-					
	41.10	40.84	41.05	::	40.80	40.53	40.76					
Sunday :				::								
	41.00	40.81	40.87	::	40.77	40.50	40.50-5					
	40.87	40.58	40.67-68	::	40.53	40.30						
	40.75	40.22	40.28-31	::	40.42	39.83	40.01					
28		39.93	40.12	::	40.10	39.56	39.75					
29		39.92	39.97-40.0	01::	39.93	39.64	39.72					
30	39.89	39,55	39.59	::	39.65	39.34	39.35					
				::		-						

Table 4. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,

New York Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

Date	:		195	l July	Fu	ture	:	::		195	1 Octol	ber	Future
	-	High	:	Low		Closing		: -	High	2	Lovi	:	Closing
1950	:							:					
September		cents	`	cents		cents		:	cents		cents		cents
1	:	39.15		38.91		39.13-15		:	36.35		36.15		36.28
Holiday	:	000		00102		00120 20	1		00,00		00020		00000
Sunday	:							:					
Holiday	:						:	:					
5	:	39.65		39.47		39.61	:	:	36.87		36.40		36.42-45
6	:	40.09		39,75		39,85-86	:	:	36,65		36.35		36.35
7	:	40.17		39.85		39.28-40.0	01:	:	36.60		36,08		36.17
8	:	40.75		40.00		40.03	:	:	36.42		35,90		36.05
9	:	40.37		39.84		40.33-37	:	: :	35.96		35.65		35.96
Sunday	:							::					
11	:	40.70		40.15		40.17-18		: :	36.30		35.76		35.80
12	:	40.07		39.75		39.75		::	35.75		35.50		35.50
13	8	39.70		39,30		39.55-65		:	35.95		35.43		35.65
14 15	:	40.03		39.61 39.90		40.00n 40.19-21		:	35.88		35.64		35.85
16	:	40.24		40.05		40.19=21		::	35.90 35.74		35,62 35,51		35.68 35.57
Sunday		~0.00		#O.00		40,00			20.14		20.01		30.07
18	:	40.04		39.37		39.37-45	1		35.35		34.48		35.05
19	:	39.67		39.45		39.46			35.10		34.72		34.86
20	:	39.59		39.30		39.51			35.20		34.59		35.05
21	•	40.00		39 .55		39 <sub>c</sub> 79			35,35		35,25		35,58
22	=	40,18		39.96		40.11			35.20		35,93		36.10-12
23	:	40.15		39.95		40.11n		:	36.22		35,90		36.12
Sunday	:	•					_	•	00000		00,00		00.12
25	:	40.09		39.80		39.80			36.04		35.50		35.50-60
26		39.80		39.56		39.56-60	7	:	35.66		35.35		35.45n
27	:	39.74		39.33		39.35	:		35.56		35.00		35.00-04
28	:	39.50		37-01		39.25	:	:	35.20		34.78		35.12
29	2	39.32		39.00		39.10-12	:	:	35.33		34.94		35.30
30	:	39.00		38.71		38.75	:	:	35.20		34.597		35.05-20
	ą			•			:	:					

Table 4. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,

New York Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

Date	:		1951	Decem	ber	Future	22	19	52 March F	uture
	2 "	High	2	Low	:	Closing	::-	High	: Low :	Closing
1950 September	:	cents		cents		cents	::	cents	cents	cents
1	:	36.00		35.90		35.99n	::			
Holiday	:						::			
Sunday	:						::			
Holiday	2						::			
5	:	36.45		36.12		36.10n	1:			
6	2	36.45		36.04		36.04n	::			
7		36.30		35.75		35.84n	::			
8	\$	36.00		35.60		35.60	::			
9	:	35.53		35.30		35.6ln	11			٠
Sunday	1						::			
11	2	35.95		35.40		35.52	::			
12		35.35		35.10		35.10	::			
13	:	35.58		35.14		35.27n	::			
14	2	35.42		35.29		35.45n	::			
15	2	35.50		35.30		35.29n	::			
16	8	35.37		35.08		35.08	::	35.30	35.00	35.00
Sunday	ŧ						::			
18	8	35.00		34.16		34.90	::	34.85	34.85	34.75n
19	\$	34.75		34.45		34.60	::	34.45	34.45	34.50n
20	2	34.90		34.40		34.76n	::	-		34.65n
21	:	35.60		35.00		35.25	::			35.13n
22	2	35.85		35.60		35.82	::	35.70	35.60	35.64n
23	2	35.87		35.63		35.76n	::			35.65b-67a
Sunday	:					333132	::			001000 014
25	2	35.74		35.25		35.2 <b>5</b>		35.28	35.28	35.07n
26	:	35.25		35.02		35.08n	::			34.97n
27	2	35.14		34.60		34.75	::			34.63n
28	:	34.91		34.50		34.80-90	::			34.73n
29	:	35.01		34.68		34.98	::			34.83n
30	2	34.88		34.65		34.88	::			34.75n
	:						::			



Table 5. - Cotton: Volume of trading and month-end open contracts, all futures combined on the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, by months, 1948-49 to 1950-51

	: Cu	mulative võ	lume of tr	ading	Month-e	nd open co	ntracts
Month	: 1938-39	: :	:		:	:	
	: 1947-48		:	::	:	:	
	: Average			1950-51 ::	1948-49 :	1949-50 :	1950-51
	: 100	100	100	100 ::	100	100	100
	bales	bales	bales	bales ::	bales	bales	bales
August	: 12,124	17,786.0	9,544.5	16,091.0	6,450.0	5,665.5	5,587.5
September	: 27,182 :	31,508.0	19,422.0	35,130.5::	5,921.5	6,326.5	5,891.0
October	: 42,611 :	44,996.5	31,884.0	::	6,560.5	6,341.5	
November	55,962 :	62,939.0	39,109.5	::	6,696.0	6,254.5	
December	• 69,554 •	82,849.5	51,346.5	::	6,980.0	6,215.0	
January	: 86,198 :	99,578.0	64,514.5	::	6,860,0	6,071.5	
February	;101,085 ;	129,547.5	80,399.5	::	6,705.0	5,648.5	
Merch	:117,815 :	141,043.5	96,664.5	• •	6,668.5	5,415.0	
April	:135,708 :	161,760.0		::	5,905.5	4,763.5	
May	150,317 :	176,818.5		::	6,157.0	4,770.0	
June	:165,129 :	190,005.0		::	5,970.5	4,541.0	
July	:181,776 :	199,560.0	156,635.5	::	5,068.5	4,622.0	

Table 6. - Cotton: Volume of trading, New Orleans Cotton Exchange,
September 1950

		:	All	:			Future				
Date	ө	:	Futures	:-	1950 Oct.	:	1950 Dec.	:	1951 Mar.	:	1951 May
195	0	:	100		100		100		100		100
2eptem		:	bales		bales		bales		bales		bales
		2									
1		:	454		48		172.5		62		59
Holida	У										
Sunday		:									
Holida	У	:									
5		:	871.5		72		329.5		88.5		155
6		:	1,025.5		57.		345		118.5		205.5
7		:	1,184		111.	5	365.5		226		187.5
8		2	1,304.5		77.		416		205		241
9		:	534		17.	5	155		152		97
Sunday		:									
11		:	794.5		36		280.5		122.5		197.5
12		2	734.5		34.		197.5		174.5		135
13		1	985		29.		328.5		135		176
14		:	985.5		35.	5	387		170.5		196
15		\$	917.5		46		338		137.5		186
16		2	316.5		17		155		52		25.5
Sunday		:					70.F		300		047 5
18		*	929.5		31	_	327		128		243.5
19		•	811		53.	b	252		81		232
20		\$	826.5		76		246.5		68.5		224.5
21		:	711		22	_	215.5		132		135.5
22		:	819		80.		200.5		99.5 35.5		126 164
23		:	365		5.	o o	96		30.0		104
Sunday 25		:	587		48.	-	195.5		69		158
26		:	878.5		43	o .	290		169		258
27		:	833.5		52		328.5		147		171
28		:	956		68.	5	313.5		202		191.5
29		:	<b>7</b> 05		48	J	210		180		137
30			510.5		9		205.5		138		91.5
50		:	010.0				20040		200		01.0
Total		:									
Sept.	150	:	19,039.5		1,120.	0	6,350.5		3,093.5		3,993.5
A 22 cm	150	:	16 001 0		2 026	5	5 203 0		2 460 0		3 000 F
Aug.	150		16,091.0		2,026.		5,293.0		2,469.0 1,214.0		3,090.5
Sept.	149	:	9,877.5		2,036.		2,605.0		1,214,0		1,869.0

Table 6. - Cotton: Volume of trading, New Orleans Cotton Exchange,
September 1950 -- Continued

	:					Future					
Date	:	1951	:	1951	:	1951	:	1952	:	Other	
	:	July	:	Oct.	:	Dec.	:	Mar.	:	Futures	
1950	:	100		100		100		100		100	
September	:	bales		bales		bales		bales		bales	
-	:	0.3		00	_	,				•	
l Holiday	:	91		20.	.5	1				0	
Sunday	:										
Holiday	:										
5	:	99.	5	79		48				0	
6	:	169.		82		47.	5			0	
7	:	163		90		40.	5			0	
8	:	210.	5	112		42.	5			0	
9	:	88		10.	.5	14				0	
Sunday	:	100	_				_				
11 12	:	100.	5	35	_	22.				0	
13	:	162 183		26. 90.		4. 42.				0	
14	:	99.	5	53	, 0	44	J			0	
15	:	129	•	55		26				0	
16	:	57		5		5				Ō	
Sunday	:										
18	:	132.	5	49		18.				0	
19	:	112		61		19.	5			0	
20	:	125.		46.		39				0	
21	:	68.		69.	.5	68				0	
22 23	:	176. 41.		105 14.	5	31 8				0	
Sunday	:	41.	5	74.	. 0	0				O	
25	:	77		31		8				0	
26	:	61		39		18.	5			. 0	
27	:	79		43		13				0	
28	:	85		74		21.	5			0	
29	:	78		29		23				0	
30	:	. 47		11.	.5	8				0	
Total	:										
Sept. '50		2,636.	0	1,232.	.0	614.	0			0	
Aug. '50	:	2,257.	5	654.	.0	300.	5			0	
Sept. '49		1,253.		685.		211.		4.0	)	0	

Table 7. - Cotton: Open contracts reported by clearing members,

New Orleans Cotton Exchange,

September 1950

	:	All		Fut	ure	
Date	:	Futures /1	1950 Oct /1	1950 : Dec.	1951 Mar.	: 1951 : May
1950	:	100	100	100	100	100
September	:	bales	bales	bales	bales	bales
1	:	5.580.5	538	863	1,063	1,523.5
Holiday	:	·				·
Sunday	:					
Holiday 5	:	5,618	547	964	1.091	1,468.5
6	•	5,676.5	539.5	959.5	1,097.5	1,510.5
7		5,562	510.5	897	1,126	1,490.5
8	2	5,601	494.5	907.5	1,116.5	1,491.5
9		5,641	485	905	1,177	1,496
Sunday	:					
11	:	5,666.5	488	929.5	1,197.5	1,451.5
12	:	5,637.5	462	948.5	1,179	1,471.5
13 14	:	5,718 5,894	466.5 461	974.5 962.5	1,192 1,253.5	1,481
15	:	5,947.5	447	982.5	1,282	1,562
16	:	5,987.5	438	1.000.5	1,298.5	1,556.5
Sunday		0,001,00	-00	2,000,0	_,	2,000,0
18		5,993.5	438	956.5	1,328.5	1,582
19	:	5,971.5	427.5	937	1,327	1,580.5
20		6,039	443.5	941	1,335.5	1,603.5
21	:	6,038	441.5	956	1,317	1,564.5
22	:	5,954	383	975.5	1,322	1,557.5
23	:	5,918	380.5	970	1,323.5	1,537.5
Sunday 25		5 075 F	970	052 5	1 300 5	3 575 5
25	:	<b>5,935.</b> 5 5,896	<b>376</b> 359	952.5 952.5	1,360.5 1,320.5	1,535.5
27	:	5,872.5	328	938	1,341.5	1,541.5
28	:	5,872	261.5	967.5	1,346.5	1,561
29		5,921.5	251.5	968.5	1.364	1,579
30	:	5,891	248	954.5	1,343.5	1,578
	:	•			•	•

Open contracts against which notices of delivery have been issued are not included.

Table 7. - Cotton: Open contracts reported by clearing members,

New Orleans Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

	:				Fut	ure			
Date		1951 July	:	1951 Oct,	:	1951 Dec.	:	Other Futures	
1950 September	£ 8	100 bales		100 bales		100 bales		100 bales	
l Holiday Sunday Holiday	:	965		376		252		0	• % •
5 6 7 8 9	:	963.5 971 976 964.5 956.5	;	345 345.5 322 362.5 360.5	i	239 253 240 264 261		0 0 0 0	
Sunday 11 12 13 14 15 16	00 00 00 00 00	973 950 975.5 989.5 1,002 1,019		363.5 365.5 368 401 392.5	5	263.8 261 260.8 286.8 279.8 282.8	5	0 0 0 0 0	
Sunday 18 19 20 21 22 23 Sunday		1,001 1,008 1,00%,5 1,00%,5 968,5		397.5 390 395.5 417 411 408.5	i	290 301.8 319.8 334.8 336.8 339.8	5	0 0 0 0	
25 26 27 28 29 30	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	955.5 960.5 945 943.5 959.5 961		414 419.5 437 443 434 439		341.8 349.8 347.8 349 365 367	5	0 0 0 0 0	

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New Orleans Cotton Exchange,

September 1950

	:	A11	:				F	utur	Э		
Date	· F	utures /	1 :	1950 Oct. /1	:	19 De		2	1951 Mar.	:	1951 May
1950	:	100		100			00		100		100
September		bales		bales		ba	les		bales		bales
1	: 5	,580.5		538			863		1,063		1,523.5
Holiday	:										
Sunday	•										
Holiday 5	: 5	,618		547			964		1,091		1,468.5
6		6,676.5		539.5			959.5		1,097.5		1,510.5
7		5.562		510.5			897		1,126		1,490.5
8		,601		494.5			907.5		1,116.5		1,491.5
9		,641		485			905		1,177		1,496
Sunday	:										
11		,666.5		488			929.5		1,197.5		1,451.5
12		,637.5		462			948.5		1,179		1,471.5
13		718		466.5			974.5		1,192		1,481
14		894		461 447			962.5		1,253.5		1,540
15 16		947.5 987.5		438			982.5 000.5		1,282		1,562
Sunday	:	, 301.0		400		1,	000.5	'	1,230.0		1,000.0
18		,993.5		438			956.5		1,328.5		1,582
19		,971.5		427.5			937		1,327		1,580.5
20		,039		443.5			941		1,335.5		1,603.5
21	: 6	,038		441.5			956		1,317		1,564.5
22		,954		383			975.5		1,322		1,557.5
23	: 5	,918		380.5			970		1,323.5		1,537.5
Sunday	:			0.00			050 5		3 700 5		
25 26		935.5		376 359			952.5		1,360.5		1,535.5
27		5,896 5,872.5		328			952.5 938		1,320.5		1,534.5
28		6,872		261.5			967.5		1,346.5		1,541.5
29		921.5		251.5			968.5		1,364		1,579
30		,891		248			954.5		1,343.5		1,578

Open contracts against which notices of delivery have been issued are not included.

Table 7. - Cotton: Open contracts reported by clearing members,

New Orleans Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

	:									
	:				Fut	ure				
Date	:	1951	:	1951	:	1951	:	Other	-	
	:	July	:	Oct,	:	Dec.	\$	Futures		
1950	P)	100		100		100		100		
September	8	bales		bales		bales		bales		
1	*	965		376		252		_		
Holiday	:	300		310		454		0		- 5
Sunday										
Holiday	:									
5	:	965.5		345		239		0		
6	8	971		345.	5	253		0		
7 8	:	976		322	_	240		0		
9	:	964.5 956.5		362.		264		0		
Sunday	:	30060		300.	5	261		0		
11	•	973		363.	5	263.5	5	0		
12		950		365.		261		Ō		
13		975.5		368		250.5	5	0		
14	:	989.5		401		286.5		0		
15	2	1,002		392.		279.5		0		
16 Sunday	2	1,019		392.	5	282.5	)	0		
18	:	1,001		397.	5	290		0		
19		1,008		390		301.5	5	0		
20	:	1,000.5		395.	5	319.5		Ō		
21	:	1,007,5		417		334.5		0		
22	*	968,5		411		336.5		0		
23 Sunday	:	958.5		408.	5	339.5		0		
25	:	955.5		414		341.5		0		
26	:	960.5		419.5	5	349.5		0		
27	:	945		437		347.5		Ö		
28	:	943.5		443		349		Ö		
29	:	959.5		434		365		0		
30	:	961		439		367		0		
	<u>:</u>							<del></del>		

Table 8. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,

New Orleans Cotton Exchange,

September 1950

Date	:		195	O Octo	ber	Future		::		19	50 Dece	mb	er Future
Date	:-	High	:	Low		Closing		-::-	High	:	Low	-	Closing
1950	•							::				-	
September	_	conts		cents	;	cents		::	cents		cents		cents
	:			-	•			::					
1	:	39.46		39.22		39.44-4	6	::	39.43-		39.20		39.39
Holiday	:							::					
Sunday	:							::					
Holiday	:							::					
5	:	39.96		39.68		39.86		::	39.98		39.69		39.92-93
6	ŧ	40.45		40.14		40.22		::	40.46		40.12		40.21
7	:	40.55		40.24		40.50		::	40.52		40.19		40.48-50
8	:	41.19		40.56		40.63		::	41.28		40.60		40.71-72
9	:	40.64		40.44		40.81b-	83a	::	40.88		40.48		40.88
Sunday	:							::					
11	:	41.16		40.70		40.72b-		::	41.22		40.71		40.76-77
12	:	40.47		40.36		40.36b-		::	40.63		40.32		40.42-43
13	:	40.31		39.92		40.25b-	27a	::	40.34		39.94		40.30-31
14	:	40.74		40.32		40.74		::	40.73		40.29		40.69-73
15	:	41.00		40.62		40.94		::	40.95	-	40.55		40.89
16	:	41.04		40.96		40.946-	96a	::	41.04		40.89		40.90-92
Sunday	:							::					
18	:	40.84		40.23		40.65		::	40.83		40.20		40.55-56
19	:	40.78		40.52		40.60b-	6 <b>2a</b>	::	40.57		40.40		40.42-44
20	:	40.88		40.55		40.80		::	40.65		40.30		40.59-60
21	:	41.11		40.95		40.95		::	40.95		40.62		40.68-70
22	:	41.03		40.89		40.94b-	96a	::	40.85		40.67		40.79-80
23	:	41.02		40.92		41.02		::	40.99		40.74		40.91-92
Sunday	:							::					
25	:	40.94		40.84		40.85b-	87a	::	40.85		40.65		40.66-67
26	:	40.99		40.65		40.83		::	40.73		40.45		40.48-50
27	:	40.93		40.5€		40.77		::	40.61		40.05		40.32-34
28	:	40.82		40.50		40.80		::	40.35		39.94		40.15-17
29	:	40.86		40.50		40.45b-	53a	::	40.28		39.97		40.02-05
30	:	40.36		40.21		40.17b-	20a	::	39.94		39.62		39.63-64
	:							::					

Table 8. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,
New Orleans Cotton Exchange
September 1950 -- Continued

Date	:	1	951	March	Fu	ture	1:	1	951 May 1	Future
Dave	-	High	1	Low	:	Closing	-::-	High	: Lcw :	Closing
1950							::		-	
September		cents		cents		cents		cents	cents	cents
	2									
1	2	39.61		39.38		39.55-61	::	39.52	39.30	39.43
Holiday	:						::			
Sunday	:						::			
Holiday	:	40.00		20 05		40.00	::	20.00	70 77	70 03 07
5 6	:	40.08		39.87		40.08	::	39.98	39.77 40.11	39.91-93 40.19
7	<b>t</b>	40.53		40.23		40.34	::	40.47	40.10	40.19
8	:	40.64		40.34		40.58-60	::	40.50		40.50
9	:	41.35 40.89		40.44		40.75-76 40.85-89	::	41.13	40.40 40.19	40.63-68
Sunday	:	±0.09		10.11		40.00.00	::	40.00	40.13	40.00-00
11	:	41.25		40.73		40.73-74	::	40.97	40.47	40.47-51
12	•	40.62		40.30		40.39-40	::	40.31	40.03	40.12-15
13	•	40.31		39.93		40.25-26	::	40.05	39.68	39.98-40.00
14	:	40.75		40.32		40.73-75	::	40.50	40.05	40.46-50
15		40.99		40.63		40.94-97	::	40.72	40.34	40.66
16	•	41.05		40.90		40.92	::	40.78	40.65	40.65
Sunday	:						11			
18	•	40.82		40.10		40.50	1:	40.52	39.85	40.23-30
19	:	40.51		40.36		40.40b-42a	* :	40.25	40.07	40.12-13
20	:	40.53		40.27		40.49	::	40.26	39.96	40.19
21		40.89		40.52		40.69	::	40.61	40.24	40.37-38
22	:	40.84		40.67		40.80	::	40.65	40.43	40.55
23	:	40.94		40.68		40.86b-88a	::	40.67	40.41	40.60-61
Sunday	:						::			•
25	:	40.78		40.61		40.63-64	::	40.58	40.32	40.32-33
26	:	40.65		40.42		40.42-44	::	40.39	40.12	40.13
27	:	40.53		40.01		40.14	::	40.24	39.65	39.91-92
28	:	40.21		39.80	,	39.83-92	::	39.98	39.47	39.63-66
29	:	40.04		39.72		39.82	::	39.76	39.48	39.56
30	:	39.73		39.40		39.40-42	::	39.46	39.18	39.19-20
	8						::			

Table 8. - Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,

New Orleans Cotton Exchange,

September 1950 -- Continued

	2		1951 J	aly F	uture	::		1951	Octo	ber	Future
Date						::					
••.	3	High	s I	S WC	Closing	::	High	•	Low	<b>A</b>	Closing
1950	2					2.2					
September		cents	cen	ts	cents	::	cents		cents		cents
_	:					::					
1	:	39.03	38.	34	38.95-97	2 2	36.14		36.10		36.19b-20a
Holiday	:					::					
Sunday	:					::					
Holiday	:				<b>40.70</b>	::					
5	•	39.57	39.		<b>30.50</b>	::	36.64		36.33		36.33b-36a
6	:	39.95	39.		39.72	::	36.55		36.20		36.23b-25a
7	:	40.03	39.		39.87	:	36.37		36.02		36.07
8	:	40.62	39.		39.87-88	::	36.35		35.75		35.87b-92a
9	:	40.15	39.	ο 7	40.12-15	::	35.74		<b>35.</b> 59		35.75b-77a
Sunday	:	40 45	<b>"</b> 0 (		40.03	::	77 00		2E 40		75.00
11	:	40.47	39.9		40.01	::	36.09		35.68		35.68
12	:	39.83	39.		39.59	::	35.55		35.33		35.41
13	:	39.52	39.		39.38-42	::	35.78		35.31		35.42-50
14	:	39.86	39,4		39.84b-86		35.66		35.43		35.66
15 16	\$	40.10	39.		39.99	::	35.65		35.50		35.50b-53a
	:	40.11	39,	32	39.94	::	35.59		35,46		35.37b-40a
Sunday	:	70 OF	70 (	. 17	70 FO <sub>2</sub> F		25 00		74 40		74 OCL 00-
18	:	39.85	39.		39.506-5		35.20		34.48 34.62		34.85b-90a
19.`	:	39.49	39.2		39.32	*:	34.89				34.73
20 21	:	39.44	39.		39.36b-39		35.06		34,44		34.89b-9la
22	:	39.85 40.05	39,4 39,1		39.64b-66 39.93		35.63 36.05		35,20 35,83		35.42b-45a 35.99
23	:	40.05	39.		39.99	::	36.00		35.73		
Sunday	:	40.05	33.	"	39.99	::	36.00		30.13		35.89b-90a
25	:	39.93	39.0	2/	39.64	::	35.87		35.47		35.40b-41a
26	:	39.69	39.3		39.39	• •	35.50		35.11		35.37
27	:	39.55	39.0		<b>39.</b> 30		35.38		34.09		24.94
28	•	39.36	38.8		39.01b-03		35.00		34.62		34.88b-90a
29	:	39.15	38.8		38.94b=96		35.15		34,80		35.10b-15a
30	•	38.78	38.8		38.59	) &	35.00		34.80		34.94
	•	00.10	20.6	,,,	00.00	::	50.00		07.00		04.54

Table 8.- Cotton: High, low and closing prices per pound,
New Orleans Cotton Exchange,
September 1950 -- Continued

Date	2	10	51	Decemb	2 70	Futura	::		
		ela qu	,,,,,,,	DOCOMO	<b>31</b>	I WOULG	::		
	25	High	:	Low	2	Closing	-::		
1950	8						:		
September	8	cents		cents		cents	:		
	:	25 25				## 001 01	:		
l Holiday	2	35.87		35.87		35.88b-91a	•		
Sunday	:						:		
Holiday	:						:		
5	3	36.34		36.03		36.00b-02a	2		
6	ن •	36.25		35.92		35.94b-96a	•		
7	2	36.09		35.67		35.73b-75a	:		
8	•	36.00		35.85		35.53b-57a	•		
9	•	35.27		35.20		35.41b-43a	•		
Sunday	•	00 82 1		00.00		001110-104	•		
11	•	35.74		35.22		35.30	:		
12	·	35.19		35.15		35.0lb-03a			
13	:	35.24		34.95		35,02	:		
14	•	35.22		35.10		35.25b-27a	•		
15	6	35.22		35.09		35.10b-13a			
16	:	35.06		35.00		35.02b-04a	:		
Sunday	:						:		
18	2	34.45		34.00		34.45b-50a	:		
19	:	34.53		34.29		34.42b-44a	:		
20	:	34.71		34.14		34.58b-59a	2		
21	:	35.31		34.84		35.10b-14a	:		
22	:	35.75		35,52		35.68	:		
23	:	£5.70		35.47		35.52b-54a	2		
Sunday	:						:		
25	•	35.48		35.14		35.04b-07a	1		
26	2	35.05		34.90		34.89b-90a			
27	:	35.00		34.34		34.59b-62a	2		
28	\$	34.58		34.25		34.60b-62a	:		
29	:	34.74		34.57		34.70	2		
30	ŧ	34.58		34.48		34.68b-72a	:		
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Table 9. - Cotton: Volume of trading and month-end open contracts, all futures combined on the Chicago Board of Trade, by months, 1948-49 to 1950-51

	Cu	mulative volu	ume of trac	ding ::	Month-end	d open con	tracts
Month :	1938-39	: :		::	:	:	
:	1947-48	: :		::	:	•	
	Averages				1948-49 :		1950-51
•	100	100	100	100 ::	100	100	100
	bales	bales	bales	bales ::	bales	bales	bales
August	651	2,992.0	100.0	448°0::	518.0	227.5	257.5
September:	1,586	4,963.0	285.0	1,463.5:	314.0	250.0	293.5
October	2,514	5,999.0	488.0	::	258.0	270.0	
November :	3,108	6,712.0	608.0	::	257.5	238.0	
December :	3,610	7,830.0	873.5	::	280.0	238.5	
January :	4,461	8,993.5	1,244.0	::	298.0	234.5	
February :	5,626	11,713.0	1,720.0	::	455.5	145.5	
March :	6,836	13,378.5	2,219.5	::	484.0	175,5	
April	8,323	14,689.0	2,542.5	::	335.5	165.5	
May	9,541	16,018.0	3,134.0	::	393.5	164.0	
June	10,568	17,139.5	3,770.5	::	299.5	202.0	
July	11,434	17,637.0	4,359.5	::	224.5	207.0	

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